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BETH EMETH GOES TO JEWISH HERITAGE NIGHT WITH THE VALLEYCATS!

Sunday, July 20 at 5:00 pm

For special discounted tickets for Beth Emeth members and to sit with Beth Emeth, please follow the QR code or go to CBEAlbany.org, click **Upcoming Events**, search for "**heritage**", click **Learn More**, and click the purple registration button. Don't miss out on Cantor Short singing the national anthem.

Thank you to Brotherhood for sponsoring the discounted tickets!



WORSHIP

Friday Evening, July 4

Parashat Chukat
5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Services

Saturday Morning, July 5

9:30 am Torah Study with Andrea McNellis

Friday Evening, July 11

Parashat Balak
5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Services

Saturday Morning, July 12

9:30 am Torah Study with Andrea McNellis

Friday Evening, July 18

Parashat Pinchas
5:30 pm Shabbat Outdoors!

Saturday Morning, July 19

9:30 am Torah Study with Rabbinic Intern Spencer Mandell

Friday Evening, July 25

Parashat Matot Massei
5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Services

Saturday Morning, July 26

9:30 am Torah Study with Rabbinic Intern Spencer Mandell

Friday Evening, August 1

Parashat Devarim
5:30 pm Shabbat Outdoors!

Saturday Morning, August 2

9:30 am Torah Study with Rabbinic Intern Spencer Mandell

Friday Evening, August 8

Parashat Va'etchanan
5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Services

Saturday Morning, August 9

9:30 am Torah Study with Andrea McNellis

Friday Evening, August 15

Parashat Eikev
5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Services

Saturday Morning, August 16

9:30 am Torah Study with Andrea McNellis

Friday Evening, August 22

Parashat Re'eh
5:30 pm Shabbat Outdoors!

Saturday Morning, August 23

9:30 am Torah Study with Andrea McNellis

Friday Evening, August 29

Parashat Shoftim
5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Services

Saturday Morning, August 30

9:30 am Torah Study with Rabbinic Intern Spencer Mandell

NOT YOUR AVERAGE TORAH STUDY

Every week on Saturday at 9:30 am, we meet to engage with words of Torah. Simple enough, but you might be wondering: Why should I care? What is it like? Is this for me?

Torah Study is truly for everyone. Whether you are a master Torah scholar or just beginning, we welcome every learner. You don't need to know Hebrew and you don't even have to be Jewish!

Each week, we delve into the portion of the week in different ways. Through the Torah Parashah (weekly portion), we've explored contemporary and relevant topics like: capital punishment, dress codes, ethical warfare, spirituality, our relationship with the divine, and more!

Every person brings a different perspective to the room and enhances the experience for everyone. Our participants range widely in age, life experiences, and Jewish experience. We connect l'dor vador, from generation to generation, with timeless wisdom.

This program is not your average Torah Study!
Questions? Email Andrea@CBEAlbany.org

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CANTOR

Emily H. Short



Every year on July 1, my desk turns into preparation mode, and the countdown begins. Music, binders, cue sheets - CHECK. Everything laid out neatly and color coded. Anyone who enters my office during this time knows exactly what is on my mind - High Holy Days.

I'm sure you must be thinking, "Cantor...it is July. Why on EARTH are you planning the High Holy Days NOW?" Truthfully, I start this far in advance so I can be more spiritually present closer to the holidays. This year, most of July and August are the Hebrew months of Tammuz and Av, with my favorite month, Elul, closing out our Jewish year. If I can get a majority of my planning done during Tammuz and Av, I can enjoy the month of Elul leading into Rosh Hashanah. Tammuz famously doesn't have any Jewish holidays that Reform Jews celebrate, so it is a quieter time in the office. The perfect moment to plan our biggest services of the year.

The month of Tammuz is named after the Babylonian month Tammuz, which focuses on vegetation, fertility, and food. It is at this point in our year that our final harvests are complete and summer is in full swing. We experience dry weather, hot and humid, in stark contrast to our bitter cold winters. Tammuz brings us our longest day of the year, the Summer Solstice. Days get shorter and darker faster.

Tammuz is a moment in the Jewish calendar where families escape the heat by swimming in their pools, going on summer vacations, or perhaps, embracing

a much needed and deserved rest. Before we know it, we begin to transition from summer fun into a month of pain and lamentation, Av. The month of Av is famously known for the holiday, Tisha B'Av. This Jewish holiday focuses on lamenting the destruction of the Temple, while simultaneously hoping for the return of the Messiah.

In Reform Judaism, we often don't acknowledge Tisha B'Av. Rabbi Joseph B. Meszler writes that, "In the 19th century, the earliest Reform Rabbis rejected all end of days beliefs as superstitious and anti-intellectual. They made a radical change: instead of praying for a Messiah, we now pray for a Messianic Age. In Hebrew, in the prayer for our ancestors, instead of praying for a go'el or 'redeemer,' the Reform siddur refers to ge'ula or 'redemption.' These changes have been maintained from the earliest Reform innovations and continue today. It takes the ideal of waiting on one person to save us all and empowers each individual to better themselves, so collectively we can all bring upon a world of redemption.

Since we don't celebrate Tisha B'Av at Beth Emeth,

I use that day as the start of my personal reflections. We've almost made it

"Cantor... it is July. Why on EARTH are you planning the High Holy Days NOW?"

through another year of the Jewish calendar. I think back on all the amazing accomplishments, celebrations, losses, and memorable moments we've shared as a community. I complete my preparations for the High Holy Days knowing that long days of rehearsals and programming are ahead of me. I pause - thinking of all those who came before me and their memories that I hope to honor.

This year, I know that these moments of reflection will look different. As first time parents to two amazing foster children, Frankie and I are learning and growing alongside each other. I ask myself what I hope to do better for them in the next year, what lessons I have learned, and where I can add more patience and love.

Our Jewish world transitions from Tammuz, a month of warm escapes and relaxation, to Av, a month of heated

topics and reflections on redemption. These months guide us into Elul, a month of spiritual refocusing, a chance to look back on the year behind us and consider the highs and the lows. That is the beauty of Judaism. We hold the highest of highs alongside the lowest of lows. We lift each other up in the celebratory moments, while holding each other in the painful ones.

Frankie, Seamus, Freya, and I wish each of you summer joy, warmth, and renewal, as we begin to make our way towards 5786!



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

“If I am not for myself, who will be for me? But if I am only for myself, what am I? And if not now, when?”

—Hillel, Pirkei Avot 1:14



As I sit down to write my first Bulletin article as president of Congregation Beth Emeth, I'm filled with a deep sense of gratitude and purpose. This sacred community has been part of my life for as long as I can remember—truly, it has helped shape who I am.

I grew up here. From my earliest days in Religious School through Confirmation, to my time as a songleader in CBEYG and throughout our region, Beth Emeth has always been a second home. I had the privilege of teaching music in our Religious School and was honored to help create the High Holy Days children's program—something that continues to nurture and inspire our youngest members today.

My husband Ted and I raised our children here, surrounded by a loving and supportive community. Now, as I step into this new role, I do so with a full heart, eager to give back to the place that has given me so much.

Our congregation is a vibrant tapestry woven with history, tradition, innovation, and warmth. As we look ahead together, I hope to continue strengthening the bonds between us, listening with intention, and ensuring Beth Emeth remains a spiritual home for generations to come.

Looking ahead, these are some of the things we are working on:

Deepening Engagement: We want every member—from those with lifelong ties to those newly joining our community—to feel welcomed, valued, and involved. We are creating more opportunities for connection, leadership, and meaningful participation.

Lifelong Learning: Jewish learning continues throughout our lives. We are committed to expanding opportunities for adults, families, and youth, embracing both tradition and innovation as we grow together in knowledge and spirit.

Caring for Our Facilities: Our building reflects our values and supports our shared experiences. We are thoughtfully maintaining and improving our physical space so that it remains safe, welcoming, and functional for all who gather here.

Vision and Mission Statements: We are engaging in a process to clearly articulate our shared purpose and values. These statements will help guide our decisions, our programming, and how we live out our Jewish commitments as a community.

In the short term, this year there will be a new membership renewal process and High Holy Day ticket format instituted that we believe will enhance the membership experience and our ability to serve you. Please see Gary Fifer's column for more details.

This is sacred work, and it is work we do together. I invite you to share your thoughts, bring your energy, and help us shape the future of our congregation. With partnership, care, and intention, we will continue to build a strong and vibrant Beth Emeth for the generations to come.

L'shalom,

Robin Sobol

A MESSAGE FROM OUR INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Gary Fifer



New Membership Renewal Process and High Holiday Tickets

We recently read in Torah that the ancient Israelites conducted a census in the desert within a few months of the Exodus. Determining who is in our community is mentioned a few more times in Torah. From our earliest experiences as a community, it is clear that it is important to know exactly who we are including and supporting in our community.

For years, as a convenience to our members, we have assumed that members would stay members, unless they notified us otherwise. We also assumed a renewed level of financial support. Some members would inform us if their plans changed. At the same time, a significant number of people did not. The challenges created by this approach have grown over the years.

Your Board of Trustees has decided that we will be changing this annual membership renewal process this year and going forward. You will shortly receive both an electronic and postal mail request to renew your membership and your annual financial commitment. We will not assume your intention.

Whether you are a newer member, or a multi-generation member, we request that you follow the process we will share to renew your membership. We will publish several reminders in July and August, recognizing that summer plans vary. As always, if you have any financial challenges, please be in touch with me. We will continue our longstanding tradition, driven by our values, to work with anyone who requests a financial adjustment.

We will also have a new process for High Holy Day tickets this year. For security reasons, we are tightening our controls for access to the building. Those households who have renewed their membership will receive High Holy Day tickets by postal mail in early September. Again, we ask for everyone's support

- you must have a printed ticket for easy access to the Temple. The trigger for tickets to be sent to your household in a timely fashion will be your renewing your membership.

Your High Holy Day ticket will be a name badge with a lanyard to be worn around your neck. It will contain your name in large letters, with your community under it (Slingerlands, Colonie, Delmar, etc). We have selected this format in response to our growth and our increasingly hearing that members do not know each other. Our name badge ticket will be a wonderful opportunity to greet someone new to you. We hope you will wear your name badge, but if you choose not to, it will still be required to be shown at our front door each time you join us over the holidays.

We look forward to these changes as enhancing your membership experience, and our ability to serve you. We hope they will have your support. Look for more details to be shared soon. Best wishes for a happy and healthy summer!



INTRODUCING THE NEW PRINCIPAL OF THE EINHORN CENTER FOR JEWISH EDUCATION: SARA SALITAN-THIELL



We are delighted to share that Sara Salitan-Thiell will be joining us as Principal of The Einhorn Center for Jewish Education for the 2025-2026 school year.

Sara and her family are long time members of Congregation Beth Emeth, and Sara has taught our 6th graders in Religious School for 9 years. Sara brings a demonstrated passion for Jewish education, as well as considerable experience to this new role. In addition to her teaching with us, she has taught in Jewish supplemental schools in Syracuse and Troy, and is the past principal of the Troy Jewish Community Religious School. Sara has furthered her growth through participation in CAJE (Center for the Advancement of Jewish Education) and the Jewish Women's Archive's Institute for Jewish Educators.

When not enriching our CBE children, Sara is a licensed clinical social worker, supporting children and families in both community-based mental health organizations and in schools. She is currently employed by the North Colonie Central School District. Sara is mom to Chava and Micah, and is married to Aaron.

Sara asked us to share:

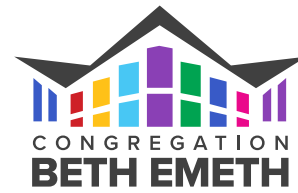
Jewish education is a passion of mine, because I want our kids to love being Jewish! Not only do I want our students to engage in continuing our Jewish traditions, but I want them to find joy in our rituals and in connecting with one another.

We look forward to Sara providing her leadership, ensuring we continue to offer the wonderful opportunities our young learners and their families enjoy. The best way to reach Sara is by email at principal@cbealbany.org.

In the coming months, our leadership team will be considering how we fill the position beyond the 2025-2026 year.

SUMMER UNLOCKED WORD SEARCH

U Y S U N S H I N E B V Q B R
Q H I G H H O L Y D A Y S A E
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SHABBAT OUTDOORS
HIGH HOLY DAYS
AV
RABBI HILLEL
SOUP KITCHEN
URJ SUMMER CAMP
ROSH HASHANAH
VALLEY CATS
BETH EMETH
SUNSHINE
ADVENTURE
VACATION

MEMORIES
SHOFAR ELUL
FORCA
LOVE
TORAH STUDY
SWIMMING
TISHA B'AV
PROCLAIM
BRIGHT
TAMMUZ
RELAX
TU B'AV

INTRODUCING: SHABBAT OUTDOORS

Join our clergy team and community this Summer for Shabbat Outdoors! We will be hosting musical and engaging Shabbat services outdoors on the following dates this summer, weather permitting:

All services at 5:30 pm:
Friday, July 18
Friday, August 1
Friday, August 22



Enjoy the long Summer days (and nights!) with your Beth Emeth community. Join us as we welcome in Shabbat surrounded by nature in our beautiful courtyard and all the reminders of the blessings that surround us: the green grass, the beautiful flowers, the blue sky, the warm sun.

We'll provide the service, you provide the community. It's a Beth Emeth family gathering not to be missed.

OUR TEMPLE FAMILY

IN MEMORIAM

Beth Emeth recognizes with profound sorrow the death of our members and extends sympathy to those in our congregation who have lost a loved one.

Betty R. Shapiro

Mother of Michael (Sharon) Shapiro

Miriam Soffer

Mother of Jonathan (Pamela) Soffer and Melinda Soffer

LET'S CELEBRATE!

Congregants are acknowledged on their special birthdays (from age 35) and anniversaries (from 10th) in multiples of 5 years.

July Special Birthdays

Carl Bloomberg
Ryan Bochacki
Ruth Brass
Claudia Burtman
Lita Carbone
Lynda Cohen
Jo-Beth Evan

Andrew Kellert
Norman Levine
Lorin Meskin
Inessa Raskin
Robert Rosenblatt
Elena Spitalny
Steven Stein

August Special Birthdays

Lois August
Clinton Crellin
David Friedfel
Margie Gertzman
Ashley Geyer
Michael Kent

Rebecca Meskin
Myra Nathan
Robert Plattner
Frederic Preston
Ruth Staff
Herbert Weisburgh

July Special Anniversaries

Rebecca and Doug Berinstein ~ 15 years
Gail Kendall and David Galletly ~ 15 years
Lauren Schreiber-Romeo and Michael Romeo ~ 15 years
Rebecca and Lorin Meskin ~ 20 years
Meredith Ray-LaBatt and David LaBatt ~ 20 years
Francine and Brian Sinkoff ~ 20 years
Amy and Michael Hawrylchak ~ 25 years
Diane and Matthew Lerner ~ 25 years
Cecile and Keith Kowalski ~ 50 years
Carol and Robert Rosenblatt ~ 50 years

August Special Anniversaries

Jennifer and Zoltan Balazs ~ 15 years
Debra and Robert Rosen ~ 15 years
Allegra Edelman and Peter Sinclair ~ 15 years
Lindsay and Daniel Swartz ~ 15 years
Julie and James Knox ~ 20 years
Sandra and David Karlin ~ 25 years
Sara Salitan-Thiell and Aaron Thiell ~ 25 years
Diane and Stephen Weitzman ~ 25 years
Amy and Michael Hoffman ~ 35 years
Lisa and Jonathan Pierce ~ 35 years
Debra and Mark Swyer ~ 35 years
Kathy and William Golderman ~ 40 years
Marla and William Kellert ~ 45 years
Nina and Robert Sax ~ 45 years
Natalie and Paul Feigenbaum ~ 50 years
Shirley and Richard Arensberg ~ 55 years
Eileen and Gregory Lurie ~ 55 years
Sherry and Steven Einhorn ~ 60 years
Rochelle and Paul Riven ~ 65 years

LET'S CELEBRATE!

MAZAL TOV TO...

Cheryl Burack and Scott Burack on the marriage of their daughter, Marissa Burack to Joshua Parenteau on Sunday, June 1, 2025.

Marrisa Burack & Josh Parenteau on their wedding blessing at Erev Shabbat Services on Friday, April 4.

Sandi Zarch on the engagements of two granddaughters: Lexi Wood to Zach Ezrin, son of Carolyn and Josh Ezrin; and Ashley Wood to Jordan Alexander son of Carla Alexander and Steve Alexander. Both women are the daughters of Stacy Goldfarb Wood and Bill Wood.

Madeline Campbell, daughter of James Campbell, on her recent engagement to **Matt Frankel!**

Ariel and David Fallon on Sylvia's Hebrew naming in June!

Alexandra & Kasey King on Blair's Hebrew naming in June! Alexandra is the daughter of James Campbell and Cynthia Shenker (z"l).

Rabbinic Intern Spencer Mandell on his graduation where he received his Master of Arts degree in Hebrew Literature from Hebrew Union College. One more year, a thesis to write, and then ordination!

Wendell Lorang on his conversion to Judaism, a journey steeped in a deep commitment to the Jewish people and significant learning!

The Stotsky Family on the baby naming for Tricia Stotsky at Beth Emeth Shabbat Services on Friday, April 4, 2025.



Caryl Newhof on her 99th birthday celebration on Thursday, May 22 at Daughters of Sarah! She had a special visitor you all might recognize who gave her a special birthday blessing. Thank you to Jan Weitzman, Caryl's niece, for snapping the pic!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2025 GRADUATES

Below you will find graduates that didn't make it into the May/June Bulletin and any reprints requested. Thank you!

Nadia Hawrylchak, daughter of Amy and Mike Hawrylchak and granddaughter of Toby and Fred Wander, is graduating from Guilderland High School. Nadia will attend Ursinus College in the fall and has committed to their women's wrestling team.

Rebecca Wander, granddaughter of Toby and Fred Wander, is graduating from Glenbrook North High School and she will be attending Indiana University in the Fall.

Anne LaMantia, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Michael LaMantia of Vancouver, Washington and granddaughter of Michael and Marcia Horelick, will graduate from high school from the Stanstead College in Quebec. She will continue her studies at the University of North Carolina in the Fall.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR GENEROUS DONORS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE EINHORN CENTER FOR JEWISH EDUCATION'S LARNER FAMILY TREE OF LIFE CAMPAIGN!

(from March 24 to May 27, 2025)

BUDS

Phyllis Berk
Joanne Davidoff
Laura Dembling and Daniel Dembling
Joyce Favicchio and Michael Favicchio
Elaine Freedman
Susan Freedman and Dennis Freedman
Alison Johnson
Marion Kintisch Greenberg
Judith Koretz
Evelyn Pratt
Gayle Sanders
Harriet Wicks

ACORNS

Anna Bray and Arthur Bray
Barbara Kaiser Bray and Paul Bray
Lawrence Cohen
Cathy Cooley and Erik Cooley
Marge Fish and Bob Fish
Lauren Simon-Friedfel and David Friedfel
Patricia Friedman and Robert Friedman
Carol Grand and David Grand
Lynda Grossman and Bruce Grossman
Jacalyn Itzkow and Carl Ruppert III
Heather Cohen and William Ketzer
The Family of Dr. Robert Lieberman
Melissa Lurie and Michael Lurie
Robyn Marinstein and Edward Marinstein
Ruth Mendel
Sigrid Naar and Raymond Naar
Marilyn Olshansky and Sandy Olshansky
Elissa Peckage and Bruce Peckage

Fran Pierce
Marlene Polansky and Mark Polansky
Irene Richter and Alan Richter
Alison Rosenblat and Geoffrey Rosenblat
Rabbi Scott Shpeen
Linda Slaver and Joseph Slaver
Angela Stokes and Stephen Stokes
Susan Stokes and Leonard Stokes
Shams Tarek and Alyson Tarek

LEAVES

Hillary Cooley and Barry McCraw
Leslie Feinman and Barry Feinman
Jane Levine and Mark Levine
Linda Schechter
Danielle Shai and Greg Lewis
Robin Sobol and Theodore Sobol
Jessica Reichard and Samuel B. Wechsler
Diane Weitzman and Stephen Weitzman

BRANCHES

Susan Benjamin
Meg Hughes and Lisa A. Freedman
Jill Goodman and Arthur Malkin
Allison Meyers and David Meyers

TREE ROOTS

Adrien N. Bernstein and Chad M. Bernstein
Anonymous
Beth Emeth Sisterhood

It's never too late to give! You can always donate to the Lerner Family Tree of Life fund on our website at CBEAlbany.org/donate

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL!



 SCAN ME

Near the QR code or at the bottom: submit your colored in Tree to be featured in future communications, thank you so much!!



Congregation Beth Emeth
 High Holy Days 2025/5786
Un'taneh Tokef
 Let us Proclaim...

Schedule of Services & Activities

Selichot:

Saturday, September 13

3:00 pm CBE & Me: High Holy Days Edition
 For ages 0 - 5 and the grown up who love them!

6:30 pm Selichot Service

Featuring a speaker from our congregation

Don't worry, come watch how easy it can be to prepare for the High Holy Days at Beth Emeth and join our clergy team for this special moment in the Jewish calendar.

Rosh Hashanah:

Monday, September 22

7:30 pm Erev Rosh Hashanah Service

Tuesday, September 23

9:00 am Family Service

10:00 am Children's Programming

10:30 am Rosh Hashanah Services

Dessert reception to follow

Friday, September 26

5:30 pm Shabbat Shuvah Service

Sunday, September 28

11:00 am Cemetery Service in Loudonville

Calling all Shofar blowers!



Do you know how to blow Shofar?
 Want to learn?
 Email us at ClergyAdmin@CBEAlbany.org
 to let us know.



HIGH HOLY DAYS FOR OUR KIDS

Selichot:

Saturday, September 13

3:00 pm CBE & Me: High Holy Days Edition
For ages 0 - 5 and the grown up who love them!

Rosh Hashanah:

Tuesday, September 23

9:00 am Family Service
10:00 am Children's Programming

Yom Kippur:

Thursday, October 2

9:00 am Family Service
10:00 am Children's Programming

Sukkot:

Friday, October 10

9:00 am CBE & Me: Sukkah & Shake
For ages 0 - 5 and the grown up who love them!

Simchat Torah:

5:00 pm Simchat Torah Service

Yom Kippur:

Wednesday, October 1

5:00 pm Early Kol Nidre Service
7:30 pm Late Kol Nidre Service

Thursday, October 2

9:00 am Family Service
10:00 am Children's Programming
10:30 am Yom Kippur Service
1:00 pm Yom Kippur Text Study:
Led by Rabbinic Intern Spencer Mandell
2:00 pm Service of Renewal
3:00 pm Afternoon Service
Led by CBEYG
4:00 pm Yizkor Memorial Service
5:00 pm Ne'ilah and Havdalah
Followed by a break the fast nosh

Sukkot:

Sunday, October 5

11:00 am Brotherhood Builds Sukkah

Friday, October 10

5:00 pm CBE & Me: Sukkah & Shake
For ages 0 - 5 and the grown up
who love them!
5:30 pm Erev Shabbat and Sukkot Services
6:30 pm Sushi in the Sukkah

Simchat Torah:

Tuesday, October 14

10:00 am Shemini Atzeret Yizkor Service

Wednesday, October 15

5:00 pm Simchat Torah Service

DID YOU KNOW?

There are Jewish holidays in the summer! First and foremost, Shabbat never ends and we hope to see you at our Shabbat Outdoors services this Summer for a taste of Shabbat in the beautiful nature surrounding Beth Emeth.

However, there are two other Jewish holidays in the Summer worthy of a little attention and love.

Tisha B'Av - Saturday, August 2 - Sunday, August 3

In some Jewish communities, this holiday involves a day of fasting and mourning the destruction of the second temple in Jerusalem, as well as every other great catastrophe that befell the Jewish people. We sit on the floor and bewail our misery. It can be a beautiful moment and a heavy moment, but sometimes it misses the point for those of us who identify as Reform Jews.

In Reform Judaism, we focus more on choice through knowledge. It's important to know that while Tisha B'Av on the surface is about sadness and heaviness and mourning, it is also about speaking truth to power. It is not solely about sadness befalling the Jewish people in every generation, it's about a commitment to social justice and tikkun olam (repairing the world). It is not solely about punishment from God, but the natural consequences of greed, absolute power, and causing other people to feel shame. It is an elegy to a society dedicated to caring for each other and creating a world in which there is no sadness, no war, no affliction.

So, this Tisha B'Av, go feed the hungry. Or, plant a tree. Or, write a letter to someone powerful about something you care about. Share important Jewish values like tikkun olam. Read important pieces that connect you to the rest of the world and consider ideas that seem foreign to you. Do something, anything, to relieve the shame, injustice, poverty, hunger, inequality, and brokenness that seems to surround us.

We challenge you to use the QR code to sign up for one of our Soup Kitchen dates for this year today!



Then, you can say a blessing:

Blessed are you, Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, who reminds us to speak truth to power, repair the world, and speak up for those who lack a voice. We were created in the image of God and just like God has power, we have power.



Tu B'Av - Friday, August 8 - Sunday, August 9

On the surface, Tu B'Av is the Jewish holiday of love. Something like a Sadie Hawkins dance meets Valentine's Day without the pagan rituals or awkward teenage coming of age moments.

This holiday is celebrated in Israel and is a popular day to get engaged or married. This holiday is supposed to be a time where women can ask men to marry them. While we don't necessarily need a holiday for this anymore, the sentiment behind it is important. Gender matters, but each gender identity is capable of everything another gender identity is capable of. While no one knows how old this holiday is, it's pretty progressive stuff for an ancient holiday first mentioned in the Mishnah (3rd century CE).

In addition, this holiday is a celebration of intermarriage. Traditionally, this holiday marks the time when, according to the Talmud (3rd-6th c. CE), Jews from different tribes could marry one another. There was previously a ban on this due to warring between the tribes, especially the tribe of Benjamin with everyone else. It seems that even the rabbis realized that "love is love."

The Torah shares so many examples of intermarriage within the 12 tribes and between the 12 tribes and other tribes. It seems natural that this holiday, a holiday celebrating love over anything else, unites us, even centering on what sometimes most divides us.

So, tell your partner you love them, go on a date, ask someone out, or talk to your kids about what love means to YOU. Talk about your engagement, watch your wedding video, and bask in the love.

Want to share the love? Send in a photo of love in action to Bulletin@CBEAlbany.org and we will include these in future communications!

Then, you can say a blessing:

Blessed are you, Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, in whose great wisdom created us in their image and likeness.
Just as God needs love, we need love.

JULY/AUGUST CALENDAR

JULY
04
FRI
4th of July - Offices Closed
5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Services

JULY
05
SAT
9:30 am Torah Study with Andrea McNellis

JULY
06
SUN
11:00 am Soup Kitchen

JULY
07
MON
7:00 pm Sisterhood Knit & Nosh - Virtual

JULY
10
THURS
6:30 pm Brotherhood Card Night

JULY
11
FRI
5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Services
7:30 pm Sha-BBQ Congregational Dinner

JULY
12
SAT
9:30 am Torah Study with Andrea McNellis

JULY
14
MON
7:00 pm Sisterhood Knit & Nosh - Virtual

JULY
16
WED
11:30 am NNORC Birthday Potluck

JULY
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THURS
9:00 am Mah Jongg Tournament & BBQ in Memory of Jan Rubenstein z"l

JULY
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FRI
5:30 pm Shabbat Outdoors!

JULY
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SAT
9:30 am Torah Study with
Rabbinic Intern Spencer Mandell

JULY
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SUN
5:00 pm Jewish Heritage Night with the ValleyCats - Cantor Short is singing the national anthem!

JULY
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MON
7:00 pm Sisterhood Knit & Nosh - Virtual

JULY
23
WED
11:30 am NNORC Ice Cream Social

JULY
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THURS
6:30 pm Trivia Night at the Warbler

JULY
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FRI
5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Services

JULY
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SAT
9:30 am Torah Study with
Rabbinic Intern Spencer Mandell
10:00 am Sisterhood Walk

JULY
28
MON
7:00 pm Sisterhood Knit & Nosh - Virtual



Sha-BBQ Congregational Dinner

Friday, July 11
following Shabbat services

Join us for a Sha-BBQ at Beth Emeth! 518Kosher will be providing the food, including BBQ chicken, corn on the cob, cole slaw, and more. We hope to see you and your family for this Summer treat! Follow the QR code to learn more and register today for **FREE!**



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FRI
5:30 pm Shabbat Outdoors!

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SAT
9:30 am Torah Study with
Rabbinic Intern Spencer Mandell

AUG
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SUN
11:00 am Soup Kitchen

AUG
04
MON
7:00 pm Sisterhood Knit & Nosh - Virtual

AUG
07
THURS
6:30 pm Brotherhood Card Night

AUG
08
FRI
5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Services

AUG
09
SAT
9:30 am Torah Study with Andrea McNellis
3:00 pm Once at Capital Repertory Theatre
Havdallah and talkback to follow

AUG
11
MON
7:00 pm Sisterhood Knit & Nosh - Virtual

AUG
13
WED
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

AUG
14
THURS
11:30 am NNORC Birthday Potluck

AUG
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5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Services

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SAT
9:30 am Torah Study with Andrea McNellis

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12:00 pm CBE at the Races

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7:00 pm Sisterhood Knit & Nosh - Virtual

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7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

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THURS
6:30 pm Trivia Night at the Warbler

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5:30 pm Shabbat Outdoors!

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9:30 am Torah Study with Andrea McNellis

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7:00 pm Sisterhood Knit & Nosh - Virtual

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7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

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5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Services

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9:30 am Torah Study with
Rabbinic Intern Spencer Mandell

AUG
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SUN
11:00 am Soup Kitchen

IT'S A WRAP: CONFIRMATION

We had an amazing Confirmation service on Friday, May 30, 2025 honoring our 2025 confirmands and our confirmation anniversaries! Congratulations and mazal tov to our Confirmands and their families!





SISTERHOOD



As we conclude another Sisterhood year, I extend heartfelt thanks to our outgoing board members, Sheila Baker, Myrna Bernstein, Dr. Cheryl Burack, Kasy Hoffman, Janna Ross, Sylvia Sossner, and Karen Kaufman-White, for their dedicated service and valuable contributions. Your leadership has made a lasting impact. At the same time, I warmly welcome our incoming board members: Karen Fein, Caren Kotlow, and Diane Lerner- Sisterhood is excited to work with you and I look forward to the future we'll build together. I am also excited for Sara Berg and Shari Rosenblum to transition to officer roles as co-programming VP's. A special thank you to Donald Basen and Ted Sobol for being our incredible Sisterhood helpers at Mah Jongg and beyond. Your support and generosity mean so much.

I'm enthusiastic to unlock all the warmth and fun that summer has to offer. Keep an eye out for some exciting Sisterhood pop-up events coming your way this summer. In the meantime, take care and enjoy everything this season brings.

Yours in Sisterhood,
Sara Bonder



2025-2026 Sisterhood Board

Sara Bonder, President
Sara Berg, Co-Programming VP
Shari Rosenblum, Co-Programming VP
Jane Sanders, Membership VP
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SUMMER FUN WITH THE BROTHERHOOD

Hello all,

I'm happy that summer has finally arrived! The weather is finally warmer, the spring rains are lessening, and the days are getting longer, enabling us to enjoy our outdoors here in the Northeast without having to wear outerwear! Time to get out and enjoy the great outdoors, whether it is a backyard greenspace, a walk in a nearby park (Thatcher State Park?), the Catskills or the Berkshires, or a hike up in the Adirondacks.



We in the Brotherhood are looking forward to a number of events, and hope you will join us. We will be attending **Jewish Heritage Night at the Valley Cats on July 20**, and look forward to seeing our own Cantor Short singing the national anthem. The Brotherhood will be purchasing a block of seats so that we can all sit together, and like last year are offering special \$1 tickets to kids 12 and under when accompanied by a Brotherhood or Sisterhood member. That \$1 ticket includes a seat, hot dog, and soda! Come and cheer on our Valley Cats at the Joe Bruno Stadium. Bring your kids or grandkids and join us!

On August 9, Sisterhood and Brotherhood are going to the Capital Repertory (theREP) to see a matinee performance of the Tony award-winning musical *Once*, and will then get to have a special talkback from theREP's retiring Artistic Director, Maggie Mancinelli-Cahill, who is personally directing this show. I guarantee it will be a wonderful show and event!

On August 17, the Brotherhood will be cheering for our picks at Saratoga Race Course, at the Turf Terrace. Come join us and enjoy dining with us and rooting for your chosen thoroughbreds!

I want to thank those that came out Memorial Day Weekend to help us honor our Veterans who have passed, by placing American flags on our veteran's graves. It started out as a bit of a damp day, but the skies cleared and the rain stopped as soon as we went out to place the flags. It was as if some Divine Power was blessing our work.

Please come and help us do what we do best, for our congregation – working in service, and creating camaraderie and fellowship in the process. **Please come join us as we volunteer for the second Soup Kitchen of the month on August 31, as well as the other days that Beth Emeth is serving.** Go to the CBEAlbany.org to volunteer today!

Yours in Brotherhood,
Jay Hurewitz



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW BOARD!

JORDAN BERNSTEIN, *PRESIDENT*

NOAH EISENBERG, *EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT*

SAMANTHA JOHNSON, *MEMBERSHIP AND TREASURY VICE PRESIDENT*

JANE O'NEIL, *RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL VICE PRESIDENT*

SPENCER KIMMELBLATT, *PROGRAMMING AND SOCIAL ACTION VICE PRESIDENT*

Our new CBEYG Board is so excited for the next year of CBEYG and can't wait to see you at our opening BBQ, date and time TBD.

Are you a teen Grade 8 - Grade 12? Want to get involved with CBEYG in the next school year? Email us at CBEYG@CBEAlbany.org. We can't wait to hear from you!

CBEYG is a welcoming space for all Beth Emeth teens, don't miss out on a year of amazing programming and opportunities to give back to the community.

SOCIAL ACTION

The Social Action committee is getting ready for another amazing year of *tikkun olam* (repairing the world) at Beth Emeth. While we work on our calendar for the year and plan our meetings, here's some important opportunities that you can mark your calendars for:

- Summer Soup Kitchen Dates: July 6, August 3, and August 31
- Want to get involved? Email us at SocialAction@CBEAlbany.org!



REYUT

Reyut has been hard at work supporting our congregational family needs from meal trains for the sick to support for new parents! We are busy preparing for the next year of activities including: preparing items for baby namings to welcome little ones into the congregation, getting dates on the calendar for visits to our residents at places like Avila and Daughters of Sarah, and working on ways we can bring support and care in times of great joy, great sorrow, and great need. If you or anyone you know needs an extra helping hand or support with something like this, let us know! You can also join Reyut and help care for Beth Emeth today by emailing us at Reyut@CBEAlbany.org.

Thank you to everyone who helps us make Beth Emeth such a caring place.



Caren Kotlow (Reyut Chair), Dr. Larry Kotlow, Andrew Kotlow, Sophia Kotlow and Alexis Kotlow champion the local Jewish community.



Homemade meals for our congregants in need.

Interested in helping engage our community with our caring community, Reyut? Contact Reyut@CBEAlbany.org

BEAUTIFICATION

*This fund enhances our building with beauty, including flowers for our bimah and in our chapel.
Donations listed were received by June 4.*

Shabbat of April 11 – 12

Rebecca Danziger in memory of Michael Danziger

Shabbat of May 9 – 10

The Friedlander Family in memory of
Leonard E. Friedlander

Shabbat of May 16-17

Abby Potts in memory of our beloved father Howard Clark

Shabbat of May 23-24

Ms. Rita Bauer and Mr. Paul Gordon in memory of Mom,
Ida Gordon

The Friedlander Family in memory of
Richard Alan Friedlander

Shabbat of May 30-31

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Berlin in memory of Irving Green
Scott Metzner and Judy Gallent and Family in memory of
Eleanor R. Metzner

Shabbat of June 6 – 7

Jackie Itzkow and Carl Ruppert in memory of
Harry Itzkow

Shabbat of June 13 – 14

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Berlin in memory of Lena Green

Shabbat of June 20 – 21

Miriam Doremus in memory of Dr. Robert C. Lieberman
Lauren Mancuso in memory of Janet Green

Shabbat of June 27 – 28

John and Bill Myers in memory of Myron J. Cohn
Carl Rosenstock in memory of Irving Rosenstock

Shabbat of July 4-5

The Arensberg Family in memory of Dorothy S. Arensberg
Elaine and David Auerbach in memory of Philip Auerbach

Joanne Davidoff and family in memory of
Harriet Cohen Dembo

Cynthia Freedman, The Marinsteins Family, and Benoit family in
memory of Maurice Frommer

The Friedlander Family in memory of Richard Friedlander
Nancy Hodes in memory of Ralph Kulerman

Marion Kintisch Greenberg and family in memory of
Morton David Kintisch

Jane and Garry Sanders in memory of Dorothy Lee Sanders
Susan and Reid Sperber and family in memory of
Edwin H. Sperber

Charlotte and Jeffrey Sperber and Family in memory of
Edwin H. Sperber

Shabbat of July 11-12

Leslie and Roy Auerbach in memory of Sidney Nuss
Harriet Greenberg and Family in memory of Sidney Nuss
The Family of Catherine Perle in memory of
Catherine "Kitty" Perle

Mary Ann and Harlan Siegel in honor of J. Peter Siegel
Cookie Siegel and family in memory of J. Peter Siegel
Nancy and Barry Simon and Family in memory of
Leona J. Tucker Simon

The Strumpf Family in memory of Jerome Strumpf
Mrs. Muriel Wilson in memory of Harold Wilson

Shabbat of July 18-19

Celia Berk in memory of Esther Weisburgh Lavine
Phyllis L. Berk in memory of Esther Weisburgh Lavine
Mrs. and Mr. Mark Berlin in memory of Janet Beymann Green
Joyce Bookstein in memory of Sanford Alan Bookstein
Karen and Mark Glaser in memory of Shirley Reichman Glaser
The Metz Family in memory of Peter Danziger
Judith Rosenstein in memory of Irwin Rosenstein
The Spitalny Family in memory of Beth Williamson Spitalny
Sandra and Charles Stern in memory of Andrea Taichnar
Mrs. Muriel Wilson in memory of
Richard "Ricky" Howard Wilson

Shabbat of July 25-26

Linda, Brian, and Andrew Schechter in memory of Louis Gingold

Joel Dobris in memory of Rose Lazoroff

Steven Kramer in memory of Joanne Frisch Kramer

The Lippman Family in memory of Linda A. Cohen Lippman

Cathy Rosenblatt in memory of Catherine Rosenblatt

Jane and Garry Sanders in memory of Joseph Figarsky

Shabbat of August 1-2

Ilissa Kotzin Hawley and family in memory of Lilyan H. Berman

Leslie Boyer in memory of Jeanette Perlman Boyer

Much love from the Laufer Family in memory of Harold B. Laufer

The Family of Dr. Lieberman in memory of David A. Lieberman

Isabel Pearlman Carmen in memory of Beverly Goldfarb

Pearlman and Seymour Pearlman

Ellen, Melissa, and Declan Reohr in memory of Maurice Flasterstein

Cathy Rosenblatt in memory of Marian J. Teitelbaum

Carol Gingold Rosenthal and Family in memory of her sister Estelle A. Jafee, and her father Louis Gingold

Ellen Safranko in memory of Honorable Stephen A. Safranko

Linda, Brian, and Andrew Schechter in memory of Estelle A. Jaffe Nancy and Barry Simon and Family in memory of Fay Goldstein

Carol Rosenstock Tulgan in memory of Dr. Samuel P. Rosenstock

Shabbat of August 8-9

Joyce Bookstein in memory of Edith Marx Hellman

Amy Roth Hoffman and family in memory of Arthur J. Roth

Hope Nathan in memory of Tom Nathan

Irene and Alan Richter in memory of Sadie Richter Frumkin

Shabbat of August 15-16

Judith Katz in memory of Albert Kaufmann

Ellen Safranko in memory of Aaron R. Tinkle

Shabbat of August 22-23

Alan Gould and Elyse Fields in memory of Stephen H. Gould

Steven Kramer in memory of Sanford Kramer

Wendy and Dr. Lawrence Perlmutter in memory of Dr. Linda Dubins

Jane and Garry Sanders in memory of Gordon H. Sanders

Marian Schwager in memory of Beatrice Bloom Schwager
Ilene and Chip Stein in memory of Sandra Melnick Dembo

Shabbat of August 29-30

David and Elaine Auerbach in memory of Norma Tick Auerbach

Judith Katz in memory of Audrey Kaufmann

Eunice Golderman in memory of Lester M. Golderman

Marilyn Greenberg in memory of Daniel Greenberg

Robyn and Ed Marinstein in memory of Elliott F. Marinstein

Nancy and Jeffrey Lozman in memory of Laura Lozman Greenberg

The Family of Alexander Perle in memory of Alexander J. Perle

Jessica, Alan and Alexandra Richer in memory of Harvey H. Richer

Sherrie Shuket in memory of Mark Shuket

Cookie Siegel and family in memory of Aaron Siegel

Cookie Seigel and family in memory of Robert S. Heller

Harlan and Mary Ann Siegel in memory of Aaron Siegel

Deborah M. Sokoler in memory of Rita Sokoler

Perpetual Memorial

Perpetual Memorials ensure that Kaddish will always be recited for your loved ones. Each year the name is added to the Kaddish list and a plaque is hung in the Chapel or Sanctuary. Notices are sent to remind you of the upcoming yahrzeits and names are listed in the Bulletin.

The following families have established Perpetual Memorials in memory of loved ones:

The Family of Dennis A. Friedland has established a Perpetual Memorial in his memory.

To learn more about Perpetual Memorials, contact Lita Carbone at 518.436.9761 x224 or email Lita@CBEAlbany.org.

DONATIONS

Thank you to all of our generous donors! This list includes gifts received by June 4.

The Rabbi Greg Weitzman Discretionary Fund

Dr. Cheryl and Mr. Scott Burack

The Einhorn Center for Jewish Education Families in appreciation of your support of our students at the Einhorn Center for Jewish Education

Carol and David Grand in honor of the bar mitzvah of Gideon Kent
Sondra Rosewater

Debbie and Rick Sokoler in appreciation of Rabbi Weitzman helping the Sokoler family celebrate their blessings

Jan Reiss-Weitzman and Richard Bass in appreciation of your kindness to Caryl Newhof

The Cantor Emily Short Discretionary Fund

The Einhorn Center for Jewish Education Families in appreciation of your support of our children in Religious School

The Cantor Emily Short Musical Enrichment Fund

Steven Ostroff and Thomas Hunt in memory of Alan Lobel

Steven Ostroff and Thomas Hunt in celebration of the conversion of Wendell Lorang

Steven Ostroff and Thomas Hunt in celebration of the wedding of Ally and Rich Saylor

Steven Ostroff and Thomas Hunt in celebration of Sandi Zarch's two granddaughters, Lexi and Ashley Wood, on their engagements

The Cantor Jodi Schechtman Music Fund

Michelle Rosen and Gene Laks in celebration of the marriage of Ally Sobol and Rich Saylor

The Rabbi Scott Shpeen Discretionary Fund

Cathy and Saul Kimmel in honor of Rabbi Shpeen receiving the Anshel Weiss Community Builders Award

Cookie Siegel in honor of Rabbi Shpeen receiving the Anshel Weiss Community Builders Award

Nancy Yaffee in honor of Rabbi Shpeen receiving the JFS Anshel Weiss Community Builders Award

The Rabbi Scott Shpeen Distinguished Artist's Fund

Margie and Rob Dorkin in honor of Rabbi Shpeen receiving the Anshel Weiss Community Builders Award

Helping Our Synagogue and Our World

Annual Appeal

Mrs. Lois Etkin

The Beautification Fund

Martha and Arnold Proskin in memory of Betty Shapiro, mother of Michael Shapiro

Donna and Lee Rosen in honor of Samantha Johnson's Confirmation

The Brotherhood Yom Hashoah Fund

Nancy and Frank Allen

Susan and Ronald Backer

Joseph Bierman in appreciation of the CBE Brotherhood

The Capital Improvements Fund

Jocelyn M. and Robert D. Kivort in celebration of a special birthday for Rick Ostroff

Jocelyn M. and Robert D. Kivort in celebration of a special birthday for Mike Lurie

Jocelyn M. and Robert D. Kivort in celebration of a special birthday for Ed Marinstein

Jocelyn M. and Robert D. Kivort in celebration of a special birthday for Carl Ruppert

Jocelyn M. and Robert D. Kivort in celebration of a special birthday for Jenny Malatras

Jocelyn M. and Robert D. Kivort in celebration of a special anniversary for Margie and Rob Dorkin

Jocelyn M. and Robert D. Kivort in celebration of a special anniversary for Karen Kaufman-White and Steven White

Robin and Ted Sobol in honor of the special anniversary of Doreen and Larry Smith

Robin and Ted Sobol in appreciation of Melissa Greenberg's presidency

The David Goodman Reyut/Caring Community Fund

Robyn and Ed Marinstein in loving memory of Wisley Dupiche

The Ellen Herkowitz Judaic Art Fund

Judy Gallent and Scott Metzner and Family in memory of Anna F. Metzner

Gloria Herkowitz in memory of June Barach and Jane Loeb

The Garage Sale Fund

Ms. Barbara Zaron

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Margie and Rob Dorkin in memory of Jane Loeb

Margie and Rob Dorkin in memory of Richard Goldstein

Nancy and George Forrest in honor of the marriage of Robin and Ted Sobol's daughter Ally

George Forrest in recognition of The Dvar Torah of Wendell Lorang

Josie Kivort in memory of Jane Loeb

Robyn and Ed Marinstein in celebration of Ally Sobol and Rich Saylor's marriage

Lee and Donna Rosen in memory of Carol Brand

Lee and Donna Rosen in memory of Richard Goldstein

Lee and Donna Rosen in memory of Larry Schechter

Lee and Donna Rosen in honor of Ella Bonder's Bat Mitzvah

Lee and Donna Rosen in honor of Mirielle Kivort's graduation

Lee and Donna Rosen in appreciation of Melissa Greenberg's Presidency

Rochelle and William Shapiro in memory of Betty Shapiro
Nancy Siegel in memory of Larry Schechter
Nancy Siegel in appreciation of Kathy and Billy Golderman

The Lurie Wander Fund for Sukkot

Toby and Fred Wander in memory of Jane Loeb
Toby and Fred Wander in memory of Richard Goldstein
Toby and Fred Wander in memory of Lawrence Schechter

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The Social Action Tzedakah Fund

Max Baldwin in memory of Wisley Dupiche
Jodi Boyle and Matthew Kohn in celebration of
Kathy Golderman's Retirement
Suzanne Gold and John Berhaupt in celebration of Wendell Lorang
becoming a Jew
Jackie Itzkow and Carl Ruppert in memory of Wisley Dupiche
Josie Kivort in memory of Wisley Dupiche
Judy Madnick in memory of Jane Loeb
Michelle Martone in memory of Wisley Dupiche
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The Jim and Jennifer Charitable Gift Fund in memory of Wisley Dupiche

Margie and Rob Dorkin in memory of Wisley Dupiche
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gordon in memory of Jane Loeb
Jane and David Kadish in memory of Carol Brand
Jane and David Kadish in memory of Bill Nathan
Jane and David Kadish in honor of Wendell Lorang and his
conversion to Judaism. Mazel Tov!
Susan and William McCormick in honor of Wisley Dupiche for the
soup kitchen
Terry Strong in celebration of Shirley and Herb Gordon's
Special Anniversary

The Shenker/Campbell Clergy Development Fund

Jim Campbell in celebration of the engagement of his daughter
Madeline to Matt Frankel

Soup Kitchen Fund

Jennet Jones and Carmen Rau in memory of Wisley Dupiche

The Susan Kushner Torah Study Fund

Lily Kowalski in memory of Susan Kushner

The Sisterhood General Fund

Margie and Rob Dorkin in recognition of Keith and Cecile Kowalski
Margie and Rob Dorkin in honor of Ella Bonder
Paul Winston in honor of Rosalind Bellin Winston's 95th birthday

The Sisterhood YES Fund

Linda Barnas in honor of Ella Bonder's Bat Mitzvah
Margie and Rob Dorkin in celebration of the marriage of Ally Sobol
and Rick Saylor
Toby and Fred Wander in memory of Dorry Kotzin

The Brotherhood Cerf Levy Fund

Jeff Levy in honor of Joel Levy's Birthday

Helping Our Children

Fund for Jewish Education

Jodi Boyle and Matt Kohn in appreciation of Rabbi Shara Siegfeld and
all she has done for Congregation Beth Emeth
Ruth and Norm Ellenbogen in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of
Gideon Kent
Elissa and Bruce Peckage in memory of Richard Friedlander

The Larner Family Tree of Life Fund

The Albright Family in appreciation of all faculty and staff at
Einhorn Center for Jewish Education
Mrs. Phyllis Berk
Congregation Beth Emeth Sisterhood
Cathy and Erik Cooley
Laura and Dan Dembling
Einhorn Center for Jewish Education Families in appreciation of
Rabbinic Intern Spencer Mandell for all he does for the students at
religious school!
Mr. and Mrs. Michael Favicchio
Marge and Bob Fish
Mrs. Elaine Freedman in memory of Alford E Freedman and
Robert L Freedman Susan and Dr. Leonard Stokes
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The Ketzer-Cohen Family in appreciation of Rabbi Shara Siegfeld
Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Peckage
The Shai and Lewis Family
Rabbi Scott Shpeen
Linda and Joe Slaver in celebration of Barry Larner's birthday
on April 19
Robin and Ted Sobol

The Cantor Jodi Schechtman Music Fund

Pat and Bob Friedman in honor of the 65th Anniversary of the
confirmation of Phyllis Sperry
Gene Laks in appreciation of Jacqueline Y. Schechtman mother of
Jodi Schechtman and mother-in-law of Gene Laks
Gene Laks in memory of Ralph R. Schechtman father of
Jodi Schechtman and father in law of Gene Laks

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Cantor Emily and Frankie Short in honor of
Gideon Kent's Bar Mitzvah
Rabbi and Mrs. Greg Weitzman in honor of
Gideon Kent's Bar Mitzvah

YAHREZEIT - JULY & AUGUST

If you wish to have a name included on our Shabbat Kaddish list, please contact Lita at 518.436.9761 x224 or ClergyAdmin@CBEAlbany.org. Please submit requests by the Thursday of the week the name is to be read.

Shabbat July 4-5

Harry Abrams
Dorothy S. Arensberg
David Auer
Philip Auerbach
J. Harry Boochever
Katherine S. Caplan
Molly Cohn
Sadie Motz Crystal
Samuel Cuttler
Harriet Cohen Dembo
Betty S. Doling
Pauline Freedman
Richard Friedlander
Bernard Gallup
Samuel Gordon
Sandi L. Greenberg
Alice Patricia Sann Hoffman
Raymond "Sonny" Kaplan
Morton David Kintisch
Ralph Kulerman
Stella Laks
Evelyn Leff
Grace Stark Marx
Meyer Mazon
Joel Melnikoff
Fred Muhlfelder
Lewis Newhof
Minnie Pearlman
Robert Shulman Rabinowitz
George S. Rosen
Esther Rosenfeld
Elaine Gail Rosenthal
Irving G. Roth
Dorothy Lee Sanders
Ralph R. Schechtman
Carl Shapiro
Sally Goodman Singer
Edwin H. Sperber
Muriel Spitzer
Martin S. Sprung
Howard B. Stark
Helen H. Stern
Lewis Stern

Anne Stroll
Mollie Goldstein Symansky
Albert Wirth

Shabbat July 11-12

Sidney Albert
Gertrude Blumberg
Wayne Steven Coté
Edward R. Eichenbronner
Florence Skolsky Einhorn
Samuel Englander
Ross Hai Freed
Robert L. Freedman
Charles M. Friend
Lena Glick
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Lillian W. Gordon
Sandra Silverman Gordon
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Marion Patlen Jacobs
Dr. Sidney Kimelblot
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Wolf Simon
Mildred A. Singer
Fanny Steinberg
Emil H. Steiner

Jerome Strumpf
Nathan Swartz
Harold Wilson
Louis D. Zugsmith

Shabbat July 18-19

Elsie Berinstein
Harry Bloch
Ida Bloomberg
Sanford Alan Bookstein
Oscar C. Brennar
Henry A. Cohen
Elaine Frisch Cohn
Belle S. Corbat
Peter Danziger
Pauline Eichenbronner
Gabriel Feltman
Shirley Reichman Glaser
Harry M. Goldman
Janet Beymann Green
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Sadie Berkowitz Press
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Howard Rosenstein
Irwin Rosenstein
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Eliza Newman Swartz
Charlotte S. Symansky
Andrea Taichnar
Bertha Wallock Tucker

Deborah Ellen Weinstock
Sarah Weiss
Eli Werlin
Richard (Ricky) Howard Wilson

Shabbat July 25-26

Harry Abramson
Henry B. Barnet
Ida M. Blatner
William Bookheim
Dora Brothers
Myron J. Cohn
Kenneth Etkin
Joseph Figarsky
Rose Shapiro Friedenthal
Maurice Frommer
Louis Gingold
Herman Glick
Martha Freedman Goldman
Lillian M. Goldstein
Bernice "Bunny" S. Kahn
Joseph Kirchenbaum
Joanne Frisch Kramer
Hannah H. Laventall
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Shabbat August 1-2

Sidney D. Beck
 Lilyan H. Berman
 Joseph Boochever
 Jeanette Perlman Boyer
 Dr. William H. Chait
 Carrie Cohn
 Sarah Doctor
 Della Drooz
 Joshua Joseph Effron
 Samuel Einhorn
 Maurice Flasterstein
 Judith Solomon Freedman
 Alvin Goldblatt
 Fay Goldstein
 Ina Gonick
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Advice from a Jewish Mother

Dear Bubbe,

My son, Mendel, is begging to go to Jewish sleepaway camp, but it's so expensive and I'm nervous about him being away. How do I decide if it's worth it, and how will I survive without him?

Sincerely, The Mama

Dear Overprotective Mama,

Mendel wanting to go to camp is wonderful! Yes, it's expensive, but worthwhile experiences often are. Jewish summer camp offers more than just activities; it's where kids learn independence and community, making lifelong friends.

You'll worry, but you'll also get a much-needed break. When Mendel returns, full of stories and a bit more grown, you'll see it was worth every penny. Just make sure he sends you a letter!

Oh, and don't forget, if Mendel is attending a URJ summer program, ask Beth Emeth about a scholarship. I hear they love helping send kids to Jewish summer camp!

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